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EXAMINER: BARBARA P. BADIO

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2002, kindly make the following amendment to the claims and enter these Remarks into the record.

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Cancel claim 3.

Remarks

I. INTRODUCTION

Applicants express their sincere appreciation for the interview held on March 4, 2003 between Primary Examiner Badio and their attorney, Mr. Hutz.¹ At the interview, the remaining rejection over the prior art was discussed in detail and, although no agreement was reached at the

¹ A formal associate power of attorney to Mr. Hutz is being submitted with these Remarks. A copy of the power was presented to Examiner Badio at the interview.